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AL-QADHDHAFI REJECTS EGYPTIAN, TUNISIAN 'LIES'

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[Report on speech by Mu'ammār al-Qadhafī, chairman of the Revolution Command Council, on 30 March at a gathering to mark the anniversary of Al-Kardun battle]

[Text] Brother Col Mu'ammār al-Qadhafī, leader of the 1 September revolution, speaking to the masses which gathered in (Kilkizan) last night to mark the anniversary of Al-Kardun battle, exposed the campaign of lies and fabrications of the agent regimes in Tunisia and Egypt. The IAR, the brother colonel said, has so far not decided to put an end to these two regimes. Libya is capable of doing so with a single blow through the masses of the Arab people in Egypt and Tunisia without the need for taking any other action. But we know that the two regimes are doomed.

In order to prove the extent of the lies and fabrications made by the ruling regimes in Egypt and Tunisia, he declared that the IAR was asking the Arab League secretary general and Amnesty International or any other neutral authority to go to Tunisia and Egypt and investigate the charges of their governments. Any impartial committee will find that the IAR did not send anyone to assassinate any Tunisian or Egyptian and that there is no Libyan plan for assassinations.

The brother colonel then provided proof that what the Tunisian Government had said was false and nothing but lies. He outlined the following sequence of events which led to the Tunisian Government's false allegations:

1. The government lied to the ailing old man President Bourguiba as he was preparing to receive a French television delegation, telling him that there was a Libyan-Algerian plot to assassinate him.
2. Bourguiba believed this and told French television of the plot.
3. Later they said that it would be better to exclude Algeria and say instead that it was only a Libyan plot.
4. At noon on the same day, the Tunisian security director held a press conference in which he said the plot was Libyan and was aimed at assassinating several Tunisian political personalities.
5. On the evening of the same day, Hedi Nouria said there was no plot but that Libya had sent a group of people in order to kill a Tunisian political personality and that this personality was not President Bourguiba.
6. On the following day, Nouria said that the political personality concerned could even be a non-Tunisian.

The brother colonel said that this sequence of events goes to prove that the story is untrue and full of lies. The brother colonel said that the IAR had good intentions toward the Tunisian Government. It offered it a chance to participate in the Abu Kammash continental shelf project. It also decided to give Tunisia some aid. But we were, nevertheless, later surprised by a campaign of lies.

The brother colonel said: I am sure that President Bourguiba has been deceived and misled by his enemies. They have given him false information. It appears that these enemies wanted to create a battle with the IAR, or that the United States instructed them to do so. They are wrong to think that the United States would support them. The United States has abandoned the governments of Southeast Asia in the face of the march of these countries' masses.

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The leader of the revolution said: They are trying to equate us with terrorism, the term Zionism created in order to distort the Palestinian revolution. If the people's struggle for the sake of their freedom is considered terror, then it would be an honor for us to be called terrorists.

Concluding his speech, the brother colonel said: Regarding any Libyan who commits treason and is brought before a court, the judgment of the court will be applied against him, regardless of how he tries to escape from it.

ANGOLAN PRIME MINISTER HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE

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[Text] The Angolan prime minister has stated that imperialism and its agents cannot liquidate the revolutions of peoples. He said that the dollar will not be able to stop the wheel of history. He called for vigilance and the bolstering of relations among progressive countries, as well as the mobilization of the masses so that they can become the faithful custodians of their wealth.

In a press conference held in Tripoli yesterday, the Angolan prime minister said: I have come to realize that the great 1 September revolution, which is led by Brother Col Mu'amar al-Qadhafi and protected by the Libyan people, is marching on the right and sound path.

Replying to a question on the strengthening of relations of cooperation between the Arab countries and the African states, the Angolan prime minister stated that these countries must intensify their efforts at the service of their peoples. They must unite in their decisions against imperialist states and exploit their natural resources in the interest of their peoples.

Joint Statement Issued

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[Text] A joint Libyan-Angolan statement was released today on Angolan Prime Minister Lopo do Nascimento's visit to Libya at the invitation of RCC member and Prime Minister Maj 'Abd as-Salam Jallud. The statement referred to the Angolan prime minister's meeting with RCC Chairman Brother Col Mu'amar al-Qadhafi, during which they reviewed the relations between the two friendly countries and discussed means for strengthening them in the various fields.

The statement also referred to the friendly atmosphere which marked the talks between the two sides--the Libyan side headed by Maj 'Abd as-Salam Jallud and the Angolan side headed by the Angolan prime minister. During the talks, they discussed relations and cooperation between the two fraternal countries and the situation in the African Continent and the Arab region. They also reviewed the international situation in general. The two sides agreed to take practical steps to consolidate the relations of cooperation between them in the interests and good of the two peoples and the African Continent.

Economic and technical cooperation agreements were signed, as well as a cultural cooperation agreement. It was also agreed to have total coordination and consultation to unify the positions of the two countries at international and regional conferences. The two sides ratified their adherence to the OAU Charter and its aims. They also vowed support for this organization, to achieve the objectives of the African peoples. They reaffirmed the continuation of their assistance to the African liberation movements in order to put an end to colonialism, achieve independence and prosperity for the African peoples, and support the liberation movement in Zimbabwe, El Saguia el Hamra and Rio de Oro, Namibia [name indistinct] and the Somali coast.